(b) 30. The member was attending meetings occasionally and there had been no complaints from the Panchayat until 4th Karkadagam 1108, after which regular action has been taken according to the revised rules which came into force from 1st Chingam 1108 only.

(c) No.

(d) Yes.

(e) Yes; he has not attended the first meeting of the Panchayat in its new tenure.

(f) Action will be taken against the member for his non-attendance in accordance with rule 59 of the Panchayat Rules.

(g) Yes; the member's explanation was called for. Copy of the representation is appended. (*Vide Appendix I.*)

Disqualified Panchayat Members—statistics of.

10. **Mr. K. M. Ibrahim**:—With reference to the above question, will the Government be pleased to show the total number of disqualified Panchayat members in the State, indicating that after the separation of the Panchayat Department separately?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—Statistics of members disqualified and removed for non-attendance at meetings have been kept from 1st Chingam 1108 only, when the new Panchayat Rules came into force. 11 members as shown below have been disqualified till now after that date:—

Year.	*No. of members disqualified.*
1108	6
1109	3
1110	2
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Disqualification of Panchayat members—rules regarding.

11. **Mr. K. M. Ibrahim**:—Will the Government kindly give a full account of the existing rules, governing disqualification of Panchayat members for continued absence?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—Section 10 of the Cochin Village Panchayat Regulation V of 1089 as amended by section 7 of Regulation III of 1097 and section 2 of Regulation VI of 1109 and rules 57 and 59 of the Village Panchayat rules which govern the disqualification of Panchayatdars for non-attendance at Panchayat meetings are appended. (*Vide Appendix II.*)

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